

## **INCOMING TELEGRAM**

# *Department of State*

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**FROM: BERLIN**  
**TO: Secretary of State**  
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SENT BONN 744, DEPARTMENT 832; REPEATED INFORMATION LONDON 169,  
MOSCOW 258, PARIS 209, POLAD USAREUR 235, USAFE:39, PRIORITY  
USAFE ADVON UNNUMBERED.

PARIS FOR EMBASSY, USRO, CINCEUR THURSTON AND WEST.

AT 1123Z MARCH 31 SOVIET CONTROLLER BASE MADE FOLLOWING ORAL  
PROTEST TO AMERICAN CONTROLLER:

BEGIN TEXT

ON MARCH 30 U.S. AIRCRAFT C-47, CALL SIGN AF Q3295, PILOT PETIT, WAS COMING FROM VEDON (ETAIN) FRANCE TO BERLIN TEMPEL-HOF VIA SOUTH CORRIDOR. AT 2125 MOSCOW TIME AIRCRAFT VIOLATED BORDER OF CORRIDOR IN VICINITY OF NORDHAUSEN AND CONTINUED FLIGHT OUTSIDE CORRIDOR KGR 20 MINUTES. AT 2145 MOSCOW TIME AIRCRAFT ENTERED CORRIDOR: IN VICINITY OF QUEDLINBURG. IN CONNECTION WITH FACT THIS U.S AIRCRAFT WAS OUTSIDE CORRIDOR FOR CONSIDERABLE PERIOD OF TIME AND CONSTITUTED DANGER TO FLIGHTS OF OTHER AIRCRAFT IN ABOVE AREA SOVIET SECTION PROTESTS AGAINST THIS VIOLATION AND DEMANDS THAT MEASURES BE TAKEN TO PREVENT RECURRENTCE OF SUCH VIOLATIONS.

END TEXT

ON MARCH 30 SOVIET CONTROLLER INFORMED AMERICAN CONTROLLER OF SAME CORRIDOR VIOLATION AND STATED SOVIETS WERE NOT MAKING PROTEST, BUT PASSING INFORMATION ONLY.

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